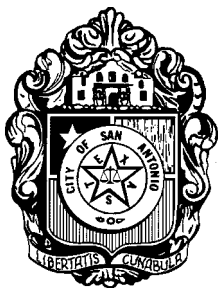


DISTRICT 5 NEWSLETTER



Dear Good Friends and Neighbors,

I want to thank you for the wonderful acceptance you have given to the District 5 staff. I feel we really try hard to work as a team. There is so much to be done: working with Parks and Recreation to get the parks improvements at Collins Garden, working with the Nogalitos St. Neighborhood Associations on their neighborhood plan, working with SAWS and COPS to get rid of that smell on Hart St., working with Cattleman Square and the railroad to remove the tracks on Comal St., hundreds of code compliance issues, working with the G5 and the Avenida Association to establish a Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization corridor on Guadalupe St. and on, and on, and on. I am very proud of the staff and neighborhoods working together.

I am also very impressed with the voice of the people of District 5 to speak up for the needs of the district and the city. It is that voice that puts these things in action. Because of your willingness to speak up, you are getting things done!

The people of our District had real influence at City Hall with their voice regarding the Charter Reform. Now I hope that you will go out and vote in the May election! Let's work very hard at making us one of the best voter-turnout districts in the city! If you need to register, call our office.

I hope you are enjoying the kind of Spring that reminds us of how beautiful and wonderful God is!

In peace,



Paul Villanueva dressed as the "Cat in the Hat." Barkley/Ruiz Elementary celebrated the 100th birthday of Dr. Seuss in the Read Across America program On March 2.



Councilwoman Radle brought awareness to the community by commuting in a wheelchair for a day by invitation of Eddie Masson. Eddie is accompanied by Steve, Gracie McMichael and Doodle, the seizure detecting service dog.

Councilwoman Radle celebrated Dr. Seuss's 100th Birthday at Barkley/Ruiz Elementary school. She was given the opportunity to share the gift of reading with the 4th grade class of Mrs. Muriel Manchester. The students included: Destiny Banuelos, Juan-Eduardo Bauista, Janie Carpio, Rene Contreras, Michael Elizondo, Felicia Flores, Ashley Gonzalez, Valerie Guzman, Ramiro Lopez, Selina Lopez, Destiny Macias, Isaac Marin, Justin Martinez, Paul Martinez, Elsa Montalvo, Wendy Moreno, Daniel Obregon, Christopher Orosco, Cameron Summers, and Johnny Vizcaino.

District 5 Council Advisory

On December 15, 2003, the **District 5 Council Advisory** celebrated the season with some Christmas cheer. The gathering was served Pot Luck style and was held at Tommy's Restaurant.

Councilman Joel Williams and **Councilman Richard Perez**, along with representatives from

Councilman Ronald Segovia and **Councilman Chip Hass'** Office, various Boards and Commissions and neighborhood asso-

ciation members, and Resident Council Presidents stopped by and joined the celebration.



Councilwoman Radle conducted a brief meeting concerning issues she had been working on. She then listened to concerns brought up at the meeting.

Gifts were raffled off to all who were present thanks to donations by Neighborhood Presidents.

We would like to extend a spe-

cial 'thanks' to the owner of Tommy's Restaurant **Oralia Salome**, and her two sons, for lending us her restaurant for our gathering.

Thank you to all of those who attended that evening and participated in our potluck dinner and supplied us with such wonderful homemade dishes and desserts.

If you are interested in attending or presenting at our next Council Advisory meeting, please call Jennifer Cantu at 212-2275.



Project Green Shade

FREE TREES FOR DISTRICT 5!



Project Green Shade was developed by CPS of San Antonio to create a planting program that would focus on conserving energy for homeowners who live within District 5. CPS has committed to provide the District with 500 trees, along with training and planting assistance, over the next two years. Your District 5 office is coordinating the event with CPS by designating a timeline in which all areas of the district will be affected. We are working through the Neighborhood Association Presidents in putting together schedules for training workshops that volunteers for the project are required to attend. We will be moving through the District in groups of three associations per month. The first target for the month of April is Quintana Association, Villa de Esperanza and Thompson Community. The second cluster will be Palm Heights, Brady Gardens and Collins Garden for the month of May. The training date for these three is set for **Monday, March 29 @ 6:30 p.m.** The date set for the second cluster of planting will be **Saturday, May 1, from 9:00 am till 12 noon.** The location for picking up the trees will be Collins Garden Park. Rain or shine the event will still take place. We will have a three month break period due to heat conditions during the summer weather.

As we approach your neighborhood, you will be contacted by our office. There is a maximum of two trees per household and the trees must be planted on either the South or West part of your property for conservation of energy. (CPS however will still give trees to residents who would like one even though they may not have enough room in the designated areas.) Please contact Cecilia Rodriguez at our City Hall office at 207-7085 or Jennifer Cantu at our District Office at 212-2275 for more information.



You Are Invited to Attend The First Ever

"District 5 Business Summit"

Tuesday, March 30, 2004

**Our Lady of the Lake University
Providence West Social Room located in the
Providence Hall
6:00 p.m.**

The purpose of this Summit, which is free to all participants, is to bring together businesses of the district to form an on-going business council, which will meet to provide a way for area businesses to share ideas and concerns and to find ways to help strengthen business opportunities for our District. The agenda for the evening will include dinner, and:

- 1) A presentation and overview of opportunities for the Business Council and businesses in general in District 5
- 2) The option of joining a committee to set up, with the cooperation of the city staff, a half-day forum with the goal of improving, expanding, and reaching your business goals.

Please register to attend by calling Lourdes Rodriguez at 212-2275 so that we may be prepared with enough materials and food.



2004 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

Do you need assistance with your 2004 Income Tax?



The VITA program has partnered up with the Internal Revenue Service, the City of San Antonio, the Department of Community Initiatives, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Catholic Charities, United Way, UTSA and various local agencies. People from within the community volunteer to help prepare the basic, current year returns for eligible taxpayers **free of charge**.

Families and/or working individuals earning less than \$34,692 are eligible for this **free** tax preparation through VITA. If you qualify for this program you may be able to also participate in the Earned Income Tax and Child Tax credits.

Items to bring:

- Driver's License or Photo Identification Card
- Social Security cards or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number for all persons in your family
- All W-2 Forms
- 1099 Forms (if any)-1099-g form if received unemployment insurance benefits at any time in 2003 or 1099-INT if received bank interest in 2003
- If received Advance Child Tax Credit bring your letter from IRS
- Your spouse, if filing jointly

DCI VITA Sites and Hours of Operation

CAP East/Claude Black CC—2805 E. Commerce St.
Mon-Thurs 11 am-5 pm and every other Sat at 10am-2pm

YWCA-503 Castroville
Mon-Thurs 1pm-7pm and Sat from 9am-1pm

Guadalupe Community Center-1801 W. Durango
Mon-Thurs 1pm-7pm and Sat 9am-1pm

Bazan Library-2200 W. Commerce
Mon-Tues-Thurs 1pm-7pm Wednesday 1pm-5pm and Sat 9am-1pm

Veteran's Corner

Out of her concern for the rights and benefits for military veterans, Councilwoman Radle has sent a letter to U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, Congressmen Charlie Gonzalez, and Congressman Ciro Rodriguez regarding veteran's benefits. Understanding how a considerable number of men and women, as a result of their military service, depend on the medical care provided by the Veterans Administration, she has asked Senator Hutchison to continue to make medical funding a priority. Unfortunately, after veterans have completed their service, they have struggled to get the medical treatment they need and have earned. Many of those veterans live in District 5. The key is for federal legislators to appropriate funding of medical services as an entitlement, and not a discretionary item. When veterans benefits are seen as discretionary as they are now, the VA system is forced to compete for limited resources and that is unfair. Councilwoman Radle thinks it is important that the federal government lives up to their part of the bargain by eliminating year-to-year uncertainty.

ACORN

FREE TAX FILING!!

If you/or your family income is \$35,000 or less, you can have your taxes prepared and e-filed free of charge. Whether you are single or have children and earning low wages, you may qualify for hundreds of dollars that you can receive back in EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit and child tax credit). With EITC alone it could mean \$4,000 for people with two children and more than \$2,500 for people with just one child. ACORN is providing free tax services on week-day evenings and Saturday and Sunday afternoons at:

**1400 West Villaret Call 210-226-2584
for more information**

City of San Antonio Customer Service



Las Palmas Customer Service Center
Las Palmas Shopping Center
803 Castroville Road, Suite 132
Mon-Fri (8 am-6 pm) Sat (10 am--6 pm)
Program Mgr: Joe Michael Gonzales
Main Phone: (210) 207-6545
Fax (210) 436-7273

South Park Customer Service Center
South Park Mall
2310 S.W. Military Dr
Mon-Sat (10am-7pm)
Program Mgr: Rose Galvez
Main Phone: (210) 922-5568

Services Include:
Building Inspection
Garage Sale permits
Code Compliance
Community Initiatives
Social Service Programs
Health Issues
Municipal Courts
Parks and Recreation
Public Works
Police Reports
Via

Need assistance with stray animals, potholes, street signs, trash collection or general city info....

CALL 311!!!!

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Hunger and Homelessness Work Moves Forward

As the Task Force for Hunger and Homelessness moves forward, there are still many issues that need to be addressed. The progress that has been made keeps us in an uplifted spirit knowing that there is still plenty of work cut out for the community as a whole. In December of 2003 the 9th Annual Christmas Under



Volunteers from St. Mark The Evangelist Church along with Councilwoman Radle take a quick pic during their service with the Mobile Canteen for the homeless.

Coming Home



Councilwoman Radle poses with Isaac Cardenas, prayer leader for Texas Coahuiltecan Nation. He was the invocator on March 3 for the City Council meeting said, "For us, it was like a coming home."

the Bridge was celebrated at the Buena Vista underpass. A Memorial Service for the Homeless was held in the morning and, as the mass concluded, various agencies and organizations opened booths distributing free items. Men, women and children's clothing were handed out with backpacks and duffel bags to carry their belongings with them. Entertainment played to set the holiday cheer while Santa visited with children and distributed gifts. Adults had their blood pressure checked and were screened for diabetes by nursing students who provided free assistance for the event.

On February 16, 2004, Councilwoman Radle participated in the Mobile Loaves and Fishes Miracles on Wheels program. This is a ministry partnership whereby St. Mark's provides the volunteers and Travis Park United Methodist Church provides the food to lend a helping hand by feeding the homeless in the evening hours after shelters are full. Later that evening, the Councilwoman assisted in the serving line downtown at Travis Park.



A gentlemen at the Christmas Under the Bridge gets his blood pressure taken free of charge by a nursing student.

Councilwoman Radle observes as volunteers prepare the Mobile Canteen to leave from St. Mark The Evangelist Church.



A mother attending the Christmas Under the Bridge with her children is interviewed by a local news station.

STREET MAINTENANCE 2004



Application: City-Force Base and Pavement Repair

STREET	FROM	TO
BUENA VISTA	FRIO	IH 35
GEN McMULLEN	CASTROVILLE	COMMERCE
BENAVA	KLEIN	DEAD END
ILLG	ZARZAMORA	NOGALITOS
BLOOM	CULBERSON	BURGESS
HOSACK	ZARZAMORA	NOGALITOS
36TH	COMMERCE	AURORA
SALADO	BUENA VISTA	EL PASO
SMITH	DELGADO	RIVAS
SMITH ALLEY	DELGADO	RIVAS
RIEBE ALLEY	BRAZOS	COLORADO

Application: City-Force Asphalt Overlay

24TH	EL PASO	CASTROVILLE
HALLET	THOMPSON	JAMAR
FELTON	IMPERIAL	JAMAR
GORHAM	IMPERIAL	ROSELAWN
CHESLEY	IMPERIAL	JAMAR
BAYVILLE	HALLET	IMPERIAL
ALLENDALE	HALLET	IMPERIAL
MARIAN	HOOVER	MALONE
ADINA	THEO	MALONE
GLADYS	THEO	MALONE
MARIAN	THEO	KIRK
GARLAND	CAVALIER	KIRK
GAYNOR	RIPFORD	TAFT
TAFT	NOGALITOS	DEAD END

Application: City-Force Full Depth Reclamation

GROFF	DEAD END	36TH
AZUCENA	GROFF	36TH
ELLOR	36TH	36TH
36TH	CULEBRA	AURORA
JAMAR	ROSELAWN	THOMPSON
22ND	MARTIN	POPLAR
AMOR	19TH	HAMILTON
RUIZ	24TH	21ST
20TH	MARTIN	POPLAR
ELMENDORF	RUIZ	LEAL
AZUCENA	36TH	DEAD END

Application: City-Force Reconstruction

MENCHACA	27TH	28TH
ALTA VISTA	NAVIDAD	TRINITY
PACE	PICOSO	MURRAY

Application: Contract Overlay

CEVALLOS	PROBANDT	FLORES
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Application: Contract Asphalt Recycling Overlay

COMMERCE	19TH	MATYEAR
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Application: Contract Micro-Surface

ELLIS BEAN	LONE STAR	LA CHAPELLE
OELKERS	PROBANDT	DOWDY
BAYLOR	PARK ROW	DEAD END
MORROW	BAYLOR	OELKERS
WOODROW	BAYLOR	OELKERS
GRAND JEAN	LUBBOCK	OELKERS
PARK ROW	CARLE	OELKERS
KING ROGER	CARLE	PROBANDT
QUINTANA	McKENNA	DUNTON
ZARZAMORA	THEO	LAREDO
ZARZAMORA	COMMERCE	GUADALUPE

MICRO-SURFACE: Base and pavement repair, milling, level-up, drainage connections, micro-surface treatment, traffic loop installation and stripping.

ASPHALT OVERLAY: Base and pavement repair, milling, level-up, drainage connections, chip seal coat, asphalt overlay treatment, traffic loop installation and stripping.

CRACK SEALING: Application of hot liquid asphalt in cleaned and prepared pavement cracks.

SLURRY SEAL COAT: Base and pavement repair, milling, level-up, drainage connections, slurry seal treatment, and traffic loop installation and stripping.

CHIP SEAL COAT: Base and pavement repair, milling, level-up, drainage connections, chip seal treatment, traffic loop installation and stripping.

CONTRACT ASPHALT RECYCLING AND OVERLAY: Base and pavement repair, milling, level-up, drainage connections, asphalt recycling and overlay treatment, traffic loop installation and stripping.

BASE AND PAVEMENT REPAIR: Base and pavement repair, traffic loop installation and stripping as needed.

PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION: Removal of base and pavement structure, sub-grade treatment, drainage connections, base and pavement, construct ADA ramps, curb and driveways reconstructed as needed for drainage, traffic loop installation and stripping.

FULL-DEPTH RECLAMATION: Recycling of base and pavement material in place, sub-grade treatment, drainage connections, placement of recycled base, chip and seal coat, placement of asphalt overlay, construct ADA ramps, curb and driveways constructed as needed for drainage, traffic loop installation and stripping as needed.

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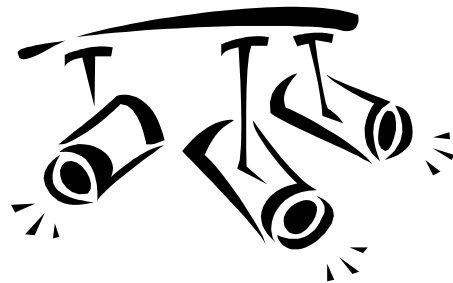


VIVA DISTRICT 5!

Beginning April 5, you can watch your District 5 Councilwoman Patti Radle on her very own show.

The Councilwoman will be hosting a community show focusing on the important issues and concerns facing District 5. The show will target the positive light that the District has to shine. We will focus on the creativity, talent and art that the community and youth have to offer. The show may be viewed on channel 21 on cable television. Our program guide is set for Monday afternoons at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Friday evenings at

8:30 p.m. For further information regarding our show, or to share ideas for future shows, call 207-7043.



Staff Spotlight



NORMA SILVA is Council Action Team Member for Districts 1 & 5. She acts as a liaison between the City Manager's Office and the City Council.



SANTIAGO GARCIA is a District 5 Council Aide. He is administrative assistant to Councilwoman Radle.

Come to the 8th Annual CESAR E. CHAVEZ MARCH

From AVENIDA GUADALUPE to ALAMO PLAZA
1321 EL PASO

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2004, 10:00 A.M.
GRAND MARSHALLS: JAKELINE CACHO & DAVID CRUZ